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Note: This bulletin has been updated. The date on Table 1, which was incorrectly stated as Dec. 30, 2023, has been updated to Dec. 31, 2023

IHCP further extends suspension of MCE PA requirements for respiratory assist devices

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) removed managed care entity (MCE) prior authorization (PA) requirements for continued use of respiratory assist devices effective Aug. 1, 2022, and expiring July 31, 2023, as published in *IHCP Bulletin* [BT202260](#) and [BT202307](#). The IHCP is now extending this suspension through Dec. 31, 2023.

All specifications of the previous suspension will remain in place. Therefore, members with a **new** requirement for a respiratory assist device, including continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) and bi-level positive airway pressure (BiPAP) devices, will still require an initial PA if the device requires PA under their current coverage plan. Providers are also still required to document an attestation of medical necessity and a member's acknowledgment of usage compliance within the member's medical record.

However, MCEs cannot require PA for the **continued use** of designated respiratory assist devices or related supplies. See Table 1 for specific procedure codes that are required to follow this suspension through Dec. 31, 2023.



Table 1 – Respiratory assist devices and supplies for which the continuation-of-services PA requirement is suspended through Dec. 31, 2023

Procedure code	Description
94660	Therapy procedure using a positive pressure ventilator
94662	Therapy procedure using a negative pressure ventilator
E0424	Stationary compressed gaseous oxygen system, rental; includes container, contents, regulator, flowmeter, humidifier, nebulizer, cannula or mask, and tubing
E0431	Portable gaseous oxygen system, rental; includes portable container, regulator, flowmeter, humidifier, cannula or mask, and tubing
E0433	Portable liquid oxygen system, rental; home liquefier used to fill portable liquid oxygen containers, includes portable containers, regulator, flowmeter, humidifier, cannula or mask and tubing, with or without supply reservoir and contents gauge
E0434	Portable liquid oxygen system, rental; includes portable container, supply reservoir, humidifier, flowmeter, refill adaptor, contents gauge, cannula or mask, and tubing
E0439	Stationary liquid oxygen system, rental; includes container, contents, regulator, flowmeter, humidifier, nebulizer, cannula or mask, & tubing
E0441	Stationary oxygen contents, gaseous, 1 month's supply = 1 unit

Table 1 – Respiratory assist devices and supplies for which the continuation-of-services PA requirement is suspended through Dec. 31, 2023 (Continued)

Procedure code	Description
E0442	Stationary oxygen contents, liquid, 1 month's supply = 1 unit
E0443	Portable oxygen contents, gaseous, 1 month's supply = 1 unit
E0444	Portable oxygen contents, liquid, 1 month's supply = 1 unit
E0447	Portable oxygen contents, liquid, 1 month's supply = 1 unit, prescribed amount at rest or nighttime exceeds 4 liters per minute (lpm)
E0455	Respiratory assist device, bi-level pressure capability, without backup rate feature, used with noninvasive interface, e.g., nasal or facial mask (intermittent assist device with continuous positive airway pressure device)
E0470	Respiratory assist device, bi-level pressure capability, without backup rate feature, used with noninvasive interface, e.g., nasal or facial mask (intermittent assist device with continuous positive airway pressure device)
E0471	Respiratory assist device, bi-level pressure capability, with back-up rate feature, used with noninvasive interface, e.g., nasal or facial mask (intermittent assist device with continuous positive airway pressure device)
E0472	Respiratory assist device, bi-level pressure capability, with backup rate feature, used with invasive interface, e.g., tracheostomy tube (intermittent assist device with continuous positive airway pressure device)
E0500	lppb machine, all types, with built-in nebulization; manual or automatic valves; internal or external power source
E0561	Humidifier, non-heated, used with positive airway pressure device
E0562	Humidifier, heated, used with positive airway pressure device
E0601	Continuous positive airway pressure (cpap) device
E1390	Oxygen concentrator, single delivery port, capable of delivering 85 percent or greater oxygen concentration at the prescribed flow rate
E1391	Oxygen concentrator, dual delivery port, capable of delivering 85 percent or greater oxygen concentration at the prescribed flow rate, each
E1392	Portable oxygen concentrator, rental
E1405	Oxygen and water vapor enriching system with heated delivery
E1406	Oxygen and water vapor enriching system without heated delivery
K0738	Portable gaseous oxygen system, rental; home compressor used to fill portable oxygen cylinders; includes portable containers, regulator, flowmeter, humidifier, cannula or mask, and tubing

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